

Fast Food Fax

DEC 13, 2004

Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand ranged about moderate to instances good. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts were in good balance and clearing. Dark meat items were adequate to fully adequate. Wings were in good balance and well cleared. Weights were mixed but mostly desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Nov 27, 2004

	FOOD SERVICE/			
	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 – 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	18,985	14,631	32,197	65,813
Percentage	29%	22%	49%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	3,009	4.57
3.61 – 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. – 2 lbs., 10 oz.	3,431	5.21
3.81 – 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	6,936	10.54
4.01 – 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.l	5,609	8.52
		18,985	28.84

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets	Chicks Placed	Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous	Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous	Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered
	(000) %*	(000) %*	(000) %*	(000) %*	(000) %* %*
Oct 09	203,648 104	161,191 102	214,939 104	175,717 104	161,676 100
Oct 16	194,824 104	163,964 102	213,074 103	175,200 104	161,485 100
Oct 23	193,964 102	164,662 104	213,040 104	174,274 104	162,135 100
Oct 30	197,817 103	166,650 104	212,872 103	174,235 103	160,527 99
Nov 06	199,232 99	162,084 106	210,600 104	173,531 105	159,561 99
Nov 13	205,065 100	161,196 104	209,488 104	171,518 105	161,965 102
Nov 20	206,701 101	162,724 104	202,794 104	166,798 105	156,060 96
Nov 27	209,690 100	167,598 102	197,409 102	161,147 102	117,717 75
Dec 04	208,631 102	171,017 102	201,409 103	164,803 103	162,589 138

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Week of 12/13/04				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	63-65	64.07	64.08	61.36
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	58-61	61.72	61.76	59.22
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	80	78.28	78.28	72.35
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		68.00	67.48	65.77
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 73.75)		72.50	72.45	67.67
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		41.92	41.31	51.83

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
Weekly Weighted Average	12/10/04	12/10/04	12/13/04
Breast – B/S	126.16	118.65	143.50
Tenderloins	111.51	118.55	160.00 (Line run)
Breast – Line Run	68.82	71.86	73.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	29.11	26.28	31.00
Wings	103.14	93.29	97.00